Comparative statement of trees tapped for jaggery and fermented toddy in 1103 and 1104.

Year	Fermented toddy			Jaggery toddy			Remarks
	Cocoanut	Sago	Palmyra	Cocoanut	Sago	Palmyra	
1104	63713	3880	8115	6965	13009	14988	There has been an increase of 4666 cocoanut and a decrease of 706 palmyra and 116 sagos respectively in the trees tapped for fermented toddy.
1103	59047	3996	8821	7267	12956	13084	

Diwan's tour.

58. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to mention:—

(a) the number of days the Diwan was on tour from the date of his appointment as Diwan;

(b) the places visited by him, the number of times each place was visited and the number of days spent at each place;

(c) on how many occasions did he visit Kunnamkulam town; the total number of hours or days spent by him at Kunnamkulam?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b) No register from which the information asked for can be collected has been maintained.

(c) Once. Not more than a day was spent, the hours on that day being about 8, *i. e.*, 2 p. m. to 10 p. m.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know the reason for not visiting Kunnamkulam so very often?

President.—There was no particular reason.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There was no particular reason for not visiting the place oftener.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Any ordinary reason?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No, neither.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May we expect a visit shortly so that the people may represent their grievances personally?

President.—If there is a request, I have no objection to the course. I went there in connection with the Cosmopolitan Hostel and the unveiling of the portrait. I spent a lot of time, nearly eight hours. It was 10 p. m. After that there was no

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request to go there and attend to any particular matter. If the people want, I shall be ready to go.

Resolutions passed at a meeting at Kunnamkulam.

59. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Diwan has not received in November 1929 a copy of the resolutions passed at a meeting at Kunnamkulam forwarded by the Member of the Constituency; and if so,

(b) whether those resolutions be printed and placed on the Table;

(c) what action has been taken by the Government with respect to each of those resolutions;;

(d) whether the Government have sanctioned the requests contained in those resolutions; and if so,

(e) what are the requests accepted by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.— (a) Yes.

(b) Yes, (*vide Appendix VIII.*)

(c), (d) and (e). In regard to the Railway line, it has been found that the trade of Kunnamkulam does not warrant the opening of the line. The other resolutions are under consideration.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—In view of the statement made by His Excellency that Railway communication should be open as far as possible to all parts of the State, will the Government reconsider the opening of the Railway to Kunnamkulam?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—So far as inquiries have gone, no prima facie case has been made out for any expensive survey to be conducted, and that is the reason why that has not been allowed till now by the Government.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know who made the inquiries?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Chief Engineer has made inquiries and he finds that no prima facie case has been made out for the regular Railway staff to be invited and do the survey, and unless a prima facie case is made out for such a survey, Government think that no expenditure can rightly be incurred on that.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What is the nature of the inquiry made by the Chief Engineer?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—For the details of that, the Chief Engineer has to be referred to and I want notice.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Government has got the report of the Chief Engineer. The details are not in the Chief Engineer's report.

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